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In re the Application of

Kenji NISHI

Application No.: 09/628,310

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For: EXPOSURE METHOD AND APPARATUS



Group Art Unit: 2851

Examiner: D. Esplin

Docket No.: 106827

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired June 3, 2003, an extension of time for a period of two months is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 144820 in the amount of \$410.00 in payment for:

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two copies of this petition are enclosed.

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